State of California Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FROM:

Department of Parks and Recreation

Central Valley District 22708 Broadway Street Columbia. CA 95310

PROJECT TITLE: Repair 110,000 Gal. Cement Water Tank

LOCATION: Calaveras Big Trees State Park COUNTY: Calaveras

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

The project will repair the existing 110,000 gallon concrete water tank (c1931) in Calaveras Big Trees State Park to provide safe drinking water. The project will

- Grade a 12' x 12' x 1' deep level and add gravel to Install a 5,000 gallon temporary poly ethylene potable water storage tank adjacent to the existing cement tank during the construction. Area will be rehabilitated upon completion of the project and the tank removed.
- Discharge approximately 110,000 gallons to several areas including the temporary tank, to backfill the 40,000 gallon Redwood Tank or released to the adjacent drainage. The discharge of the water will be completed in a manner that will cause less than significant natural resource impacts.
- Clean, repair leaks, and install a new potable water tank liner for the interior of the tank and disinfect reservoir
 upon completion of the project.
- Repair exfoliating concrete on the tank exterior and the interior.
- Replace 5 (five) access hatches /observation covers.
- Remove the existing concrete water control valve vault, excavate 8 foot wide x 12 foot long 4 foot deep hole to
 install new piping and construct a 4 inch thick by approximately 3 foot high recessed vault compartment measuring
 7' wide x 10' 6" in length. Floor to be 4 inch concrete pad with drainage system located under slab.
- Excavate up to 12 inches deep around the new vault area measuring 20 feet by 20 feet from the mid-point of the tank on the south side of the tank so that a notch in the vault foundation can accommodate an entrance door. The 20 foot by 20 section will encompass the new valve vault. Soil from the removal will be spread out around the new valve vault at a 3 5% grade to allow for water runoff.
- Construct vault building approximately 8 feet tall utilizing hardy backer lap siding, standing seam roof (brown color) painted brown exterior, interior insulated with waterproof green board (painted white), electrical outlet and light, 2' x 2' double insulated window adjacent to the entry door and ladder entry to interior.
- Excavate a trench 4' wide x 3' deep x 60' in length beginning at the valve box and discharging south of the current road leading to the concrete tank.
- Install a level gage on one side of the tank. Conduct masonry repairs to the entire concrete lip that surrounds the upper perimeter of the storage tank.

Project manager shall notify the Archaeologist in advance of work commencement to allow for monitoring and shall halt work in the event of an accidental discovery of archaeological resources.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
Statutory Exemption (Section:)
Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 2 Section: 15301, 15302

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of repair and maintenance of existing public structure, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical feature involving no expansion of use beyond that currently existing; and

replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have the same purpose and capacity;

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